GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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ADULTERATION OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(b) whether the Government propose to develop any new system to check adulteration in petroleum products;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (c):- Oil marketing companies carry out regular/surprise checks of retail outlets, to control various malpractices including adulteration. In addition, special drives are launched by the oil companies both on their own and also under direction of Government from time to time to check malpractices. To prevent adulteration various steps like blue dyeing of kerosene (PDS), furfural doping, filter paper test, stock reconciliation, checking of retail outlets by mobile laboratories, etc. are taken by oil companies.